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May 4, 1983

The Honorable Strom Thurmond
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Thurmond,

Strom

For sometime, I have been following the case of the Swedish Diplomat, Raoul Wallenberg. I am sure that you realize the many lives that Raoul Wallenberg saved during World War II.

It is my understanding that this man has been held in prison by the Soviet Union since 1945, and has repeatedly failed to acknowledge his existence or whereabouts. I strongly urge you as the Senator from this State to contact the State Departments of the United States of America and the Soviet Union and urge his release.

I firmly believe that it is time that we as Americans take action to secure his release and that is the purpose of my writing this letter to you. I am sure that you realize that Raoul Wallenberg is 70 years of age now and he has probably just a few years left on this earth. I urge you to do whatever possible to seek his release.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,


John N. Hardee
Vice President

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